

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): September 17, 2012

**BANKFINANCIAL CORPORATION**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Maryland  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

0-51331  
(Commission File No.)

75-3199276  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

15W060 North Frontage Road, Burr Ridge, Illinois  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

60527  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (800) 894-6900

Not Applicable  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On September 17, 2012, the Board of Directors of BankFinancial Corporation (the “Company”) declared a cash dividend of \$0.01 per common share. The dividend will be payable on October 12, 2012 to stockholders of record on September 28, 2012. As previously described in filings made with the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Board of Directors of the Company will evaluate dividends for future quarters in the context of any applicable requirements of Federal Reserve Board Supervisory Letter SR 09-4.

This Current Report on Form 8-K includes “forward-looking statements” as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. A variety of factors could cause the Company’s actual results to differ from those expected at the time of this release. For a discussion of some of the factors that may cause actual results to differ from expectations, please refer to the Company’s most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K as filed with the SEC, as supplemented by the Company’s subsequent filings with the SEC. Investors are urged to review all information contained in these reports, including the risk factors discussed therein. Copies of these filings are available at no cost on the SEC’s web site at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov) or on the Company’s web site at [www.bankfinancial.com](http://www.bankfinancial.com). Forward looking statements speak only as of the date they are made, and we do not undertake to update them to reflect changes.

A copy of the press release announcing these items is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

- (a) Not Applicable.
- (b) Not Applicable.
- (c) Not Applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

**Exhibit No. Description**

99.1 Press Release dated September 17, 2012

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**BANKFINANCIAL CORPORATION**  
(Registrant)

Dated: September 17, 2012

By: /s/ F. Morgan Gasior  
F. Morgan Gasior  
Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer, and President

## **EXHIBIT INDEX**

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99.1 Press Release dated September 17, 2012

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE****BankFinancial Corporation Declares Cash Dividend**

**Burr Ridge, Illinois** - (September 17, 2012) BankFinancial Corporation (Nasdaq – BFIN) announced that its Board of Directors declared a cash dividend of \$0.01 per common share. The dividend will be payable on October 12, 2012 to stockholders of record on September 28, 2012.

BankFinancial Corporation is the holding company for BankFinancial, F.S.B., a full-service, community-oriented bank providing financial services to individuals, families and businesses through 20 full-service banking offices, located in Cook, DuPage, Lake and Will Counties, Illinois. At June 30, 2012, BankFinancial had total assets of \$1.522 billion, total loans of \$1.119 billion, total deposits of \$1.289 billion and stockholders' equity of \$203 million. BankFinancial Corporation's common stock trades on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the symbol BFIN.

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